

Namibia

US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens Exercise increased caution in Namibia due to COVID-19. Consult its website via the link below for updates to travel advisories and statements on safety, security, local laws and special circumstances in this country.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html>

Passport/Visa Requirements

US citizens should make sure their passport will not expire for at least 6 months after they enter the country even if they do not intend to stay that long. They should also make sure they have at least 6 blank pages in their passport for each entry stamp/visa that will be required. A visa is required. A visa is available planeside for tourists for up to 90 days.

US Embassy/ Consulate

(264) 061-295-8500 ; EMER: +(264)(85) 686-0853; US Embassy Windhoek, 14 Lossen Street, Windhoek, Namibia; ConsularWindhoek@state.gov;



<https://na.usembassy.gov/>

Telephone Code

264

Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance: 2032276; Fire: 2032270; Police: 1011

Vaccinations

An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for travelers arriving from countries with a risk of yellow fever transmission and for travelers having transited through the airport of a country with risk of yellow fever transmission. See WHO recommendations.

<http://www.who.int>

Climate

Desert; hot, dry; rainfall sparse and erratic

Currency (Code)

Namibian dollars (NAD)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

220 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): D, M



Major Languages

Oshiwambo languages, Nama/Damara, Kavango languages, Afrikaans, Herero languages, Zambezi languages, English, other European languages

Religions

Christian 80% to 90% (at least 50% Lutheran), indigenous beliefs 10% to 20%

Time Difference

UTC+1 (6 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); daylight saving time: +1hr, begins first Sunday in September; ends first Sunday in April

Potable Water	Yes, but some opt for bottled water.
International Driving Permit	Suggested
Road Driving Side	Left
Tourist destinations	Etosha National Park; Fish River Canyon; Sossusvlei; Cape Cross; Swakopmund; Caprivi Strip; Twyfelfontein; Namib-Naukluft National Park; Kalahari Desert; Chobe River
Major Sports	Soccer, rugby, cricket, golf
Cultural Practices	In professional settings, people are often referred to by their surnames; it is considered informal to use first names immediately.
Tipping Guidelines	At hotels, tip about 30 Namibian dollars per guest per day. Leave your tip in a communal tipping box. If you would like to tip porters, 10 Namibian dollars is recommended. For specialist guides, tip 50 Namibian dollars per guest per day.

Please visit the following links to find further information about your desired destination.

[World Health Organization \(WHO\) - To learn what vaccines and health precautions to take while visiting your destination. http://www.who.int](http://www.who.int)

[US State Dept Travel Information - Overall information about foreign travel for US citizens. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html)

[To obtain an international driving permit \(IDP\). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs: American Automobile Association \(AAA\) \(www.aaa.com\) and American Automobile Touring Alliance \(AATA\) \(www.aataidp.com\)](http://www.aaa.com)

How to get help in an emergency? Contact the nearest US embassy or consulate, or call one of these numbers:
from the US or Canada - 1-888-407-4747 or from Overseas - +1 202-501-4444

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